

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 15, line 4, with the following rewritten paragraph:

In the following the “significant change” of stoichiometry of cobalt, as well as nickel as well as manganese between inner bulk and outer bulk will be defined. A particle ~~consists~~^{consist} of bulk and surface. Surface is the outermost region of a compact particle, with maximum thickness of 10-20 nanometer. In this invention, ~~the~~^{the} bulk is divided ~~into~~^{into} an inner and an outer bulk. The inner bulk is an inner region of a typical particle, and the outer bulk is the layer surrounding the inner bulk, extending out towards the surface. It is useful to define that the inner bulk contains 50% of the total number of cobalt, manganese and nickel cations of the bulk, and the outer bulk contains the remaining 50% of the manganese, cobalt and nickel cations.